Amendments to the Claims:

1. A cover, ~~as part~~ and container installation of a dual cover system, for the gas-tight closure of a container (1a) for containing radioactive or toxic waste materials, comprising a cover (1) and the container (1a) being adapted in their design to each other and having a round or polygonal shape with a seal gasket (10') arranged between said container (1a) and said cover (1), said cover (1) including at least two clamping closure mechanisms (11-14) distributed around the circumference of said cover (1), a clamping closure mechanism operating structure (27) arranged in the center of said cover (1) and being coupled to said clamping closure mechanisms (11-14) for synchronous operation thereof, said container (1a) having recesses (14') for form-locking engagement of said clamping closure mechanisms (11-14), said clamping closure mechanism operating structure including a central grasping head (2) for engagement by an operating structure of a cover of a dual cover system, and including a collar stud (4) which is axially movable against the force of a spring (5) for actuating said clamping closure mechanisms (11-14), said clamping closure mechanisms (11-14) each comprising an outwardly extending elbow lever structure with an upper pivotal support bearing (12) mounted on said cover (1) and a lower support arm (11) mounted on the operating arm (8) connected to said collar stud (4) and extending outwardly to said clamping closure mechanism.

2. A cover according to claim 1, wherein said seal gasket (10') consists of one of a rubber and plastic material disposed on one of the container rim and the container seal surface (10).

3. A cover according to claim 1, wherein ~~said~~ each recess (14') consists of one of a groove, a stepped portion, an ~~impression~~ indentation and a support ring (16) mounted to said container (1).